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A GMR CONFIGURATION WITH ENHANCED
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U.S. Patent 5,780,176 to Iwasaki et al., "Magnetoresistance Effect Element," discloses a MR element with a exchange coupling film wherein the exchange coupling film is made of a FM material that improves the lattice matching.

U.S. Patent 5,843,589 to Hoshiya et al., "Magnetic Layered Material, and Magnetic Sensor and Magnetic Storage/Read System Based Thereon," discloses a MR having a Ta buffer layer.

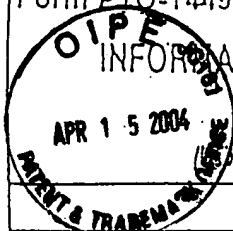
U.S. Patent 5,766,743 to Fujikata et al., "Magnetoresistance Effect Film, a Method of Manufacturing the Same, and Magnetoresistance Effect Device," discloses a MR with a anti-FM layer on a metal oxide (NiO) layer.

U.S. Patent 5,668,688 to Dykes et al., "Current Perpendicular-to-the-Plane Spin Valve Type Magnetoresistive Transducer," discloses a SV with a TA layer under the Free layer.

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U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	5843589	12/1/98	Hoshiga et al.	428	692	12/17/96
	5766743	6/16/98	Fujikata et al.	428	212	6/3/96
	5668688	9/16/97	Dykes et al.	360	113	5/24/96
	5780176	7/14/98	Iwasaki et al.	428	692	6/28/96

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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